

9.1 Power Series

Infinite Series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$

Partial Sum  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k$

Does the series  $3/10 + 3/100 + 3/1000 + \dots$  converge or diverge?

(sum)  $a = \frac{3}{10}$   $r = \frac{1}{10}$   $\frac{3/10}{1 - 1/10} = \frac{1}{3}$

sequence:  $\frac{3}{10}, \frac{3}{100}, \frac{3}{1000}, \dots$

(list)

$$\frac{3}{10} + \frac{3}{100} + \frac{3}{1000} + \dots = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$.3 + .03 + .003 + \dots = .333 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 3\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^{n-1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

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Infinite Geometric Series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1} = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots$

$= \frac{a}{1-r}$  if  $|r| < 1$

Tell whether each series converges or diverges. If it converges, give its sum.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} = 3 + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{4} + \dots = \frac{3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 6$$

$a=3$   $r=\frac{1}{2}$

$$1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{8} + \dots = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^k = 1 + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{9}{25} + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{3}{5}} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$a=1$   $r=\frac{3}{5}$

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Find the function that is equal to the series. Support graphically.

$$1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^n + \dots = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$a=1$   $r=x$

if  $|r| < 1$

$|x| < 1$

$-1 < x < 1$

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Power Series

centered at  $x=0$ :  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ centered at  $x=a$ :  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x-a)^n$ 

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Find power series for the following functions

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + x^4 - \dots$$

$$a=1, r=-x$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x} = 1 - (x-1) + (x-1)^2 - (x-1)^3 + \dots$$

Hint:  $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{1+(x-1)}$

$$a=1, r=-(x-1)$$

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Differentiate the power series for  $\frac{1}{1-x}$ 

What function equals this new power series?

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{1-x} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} [1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots]$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = 0 + 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots$$

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Use the power series for  $\frac{1}{1+x}$  to find a power series for  $\ln(1+x)$

$$\int \frac{1}{1+x} = \int 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + x^4 \dots$$

$$a=1, r=-x$$

$$\ln(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} \dots + c$$

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Find a power series for  $\frac{1}{1+x^2}$

and use that series to find one for  $\tan^{-1}x$

$$\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \int 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 \dots$$

$$\tan^{-1}x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} \dots + c$$

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